

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) Yes, Sir. However, as an interim measure charge of the post of Executive Member has been given to DG, All India Radio. The post of DG, Doordarshan is being looked after by a senior officer from Doordarshan.

(b) The post of Executive Member, Member (Personnel) and Member (Finance) are appointed on the recommendation of a Committee as prescribed under the Prasar Bharati Act 1990. The post of DG, Doordarshan is to be filled up by Prasar Bharati Board. Process has already been initiated for filling of these posts.

(c) to (e) No, Sir. Vacancies in the Board do not reflect on the efficient functioning of Prasar Bharati.

Road development proposals from Andhra Pradesh

***23. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY:** Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposals from the State of Andhra Pradesh during the current year for up-gradation, improvement and development of National Highways;

(b) if so, the road-wise, National Highway-wise details thereof; and

(c) the total funds allocated and expenditure made by Government for the development, up-gradation, improvement and construction of various roads and National Highways?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details are given in the enclosed Statement (See below).

(c) This Ministry is primarily responsible for the development of National Highways. An amount of Rs. 80.00 crores under the National Highway (Original) and Rs. 7.35 crores under the Permanent Bridge Fee Fund (PBFF) has been allocated for the State of Andhra Pradesh during current financial year 2006-2007 for the National Highways entrusted to the State Public

Works Department (PWD). An expenditure of Rs. 31.23 crores has been incurred upto October, 2006 for development of the National Highways entrusted to the State PWD in Andhra Pradesh.

Statement

Details of proposals for upgradation, improvement and development of National Highways received from Andhra Pradesh

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl.No.	NH No.	Subject	Amount
1	2	3	4
1	4	Improvement to Riding quality km 150/0 to 160/0 of Chennai-Chittor-Bangalore road	406.35
2	4	Reconstruction of weak and narrow culverts from km 133/360 to 216/975 of Chennai-Chittor-Bangalore road	112.60
3	16	Paved shoulders km 147/0 to 157/0 of Nizamabad-Jagdalpur road	429.34
4	16	Paved shoulders km 85/0 to 96/0 of Nizamabad-Jagdalpur road	499.72
5	18	Strengthening the riding surface km 49/0 to 57/0 of Chittor-Kurnool road	370.34
6	43	Paved shoulders km 532/0 to 542/0 of Raipur-Vishakhapatnam road	570.15
7	63	Strengthening from km 385/0 to 390/150 and km 402/0 to 414/0 of Ankola-Gooty road	1369.23
8	202	Reconstruction of minor bridge at km 192/2 Hyderabad-Bhupalapatnam road	160.90
9	202	Reconstruction of minor bridge at km 197/8 Hyderabad-Bhupalapatnam road	105.07
10	202	Reconstruction of minor bridge at km 199/2 Hyderabad-Bhupalapatnam road	46.55
11	202	Reconstruction of minor bridge at km 201/6 Hyderabad-Bhupalapatnam road	60.43

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12	202	Widening of minor bridge at km 244/2 Hyderabad-Bhupalapatnam road	159.93
13	202	Widening to four-lanes from km 124/0 to 130/520 of Hyderabad-Bhupalapatnam road	1908.00
14	205	Reconstruction of minor bridges km 149/10 and 158/2 of Ananthapur-Chennai road	178.11
15	205	Improvement to Riding quality km 257/0 to 266/0 Ananthapur-Chennai road	244.46
16	205	Improvement to Riding quality km 273/0 to 278/2 Ananthapur-Chennai road	244.45
17	205	Improvement to Riding quality from km 37/0 to 52/0 Ananthapur-Chennai road	425.75
18	205	Reconstruction of weak and narrow culvert km 170/4 to 227/6 Ananthapur-Chennai road	325.40
19	205	Reconstruction of minor bridges at km 276/8 of Ananthapur-Chennai road	89.10
20	214	Construction of approaches to the RoB at km 19/8 of Kathipudi-Pamarru road	1053.46
21	214	Widening/Reconstruction of culverts km 6/0 to 31/0 of Kathipudi-Pamarru road	22.90
22	214	Reconstruction of culverts from km 150/0 to 159/0 Kathipudi-Pamarru road	26.00
23	214A	Construction of side drains from km 90/060 to 92/610 (both sides) of Digamaru-Ongole road	204.06
24	219	Improvement to Riding quality km 86/4 to 93/0, 96/0 to 98/5 and km 99/6 to 104/0 of Madanapalli-Krishnagiri road	377.86

Process of poverty estimation

*24. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA

Will the Minister of PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: